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Dear Sir:

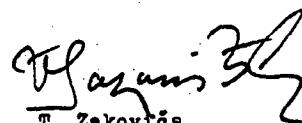
I learned from a Latvian newspaper that in the Free European Committee Latvian Panel is nominated a former Latvian fascistic Ulmanis government "Strong hand" and manager Alfreds Berzins.

Herewith my friends and I are protesting against him because I personally spent more than eight months in Ulmanis and Berzins constructed concentration camps in Liepaja, which was fulfilled with honest democratic minded people who didn't approve the fascistic Ulmanis-Berzins government and their overthrow of legal democratic Latvian government. Alfreds Berzins was also the Chief of Latvian fascistic Ulmanis armored private organization "Airsargs". These organization members were active participants-subversive elements, by overthrow the legal by people elected government of Latvia in May 15, 1934. They, following Berzins orders, arrested and put in concentration camps thousands of innocent people just because they were democrats and belonged to other parties (Communistic party was closed long years before). Among these thousands arrested were only a few (about 10) communists!

Isn't it shameful for everybody in U.S. to pay taxes just to support in our democratic country a Latvian fascistic elements like above-named Alfreds Berzins?

I hope you will remove him from the Latvian Panel in spite of the fact that he has enough of his old fascistic friends and supporters who seems to me didn't learn anything about democracy being here nor our constitution in this great democratic country shorter or longer time.

Respectfully,



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